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Ralph Nader

Root-Jessup Presents Ralph Nader Lecture

BY BILL DELANEY

He appears tall, slim, and slightly stooped forward before an audience. His long hands are often hidden in pockets of a loose suit, and the eyes of the man are dark. The mild air he radiates does not tell of several determined fights he has waged and won against foes like the government and automobile industry. He is a one-man lobby, responsible for crusades which have saved lives and made our nation more liveable.

His name is Ralph Nader and he will speak in the Hamilton College Gymnasium at 8 P.M. on Monday, April 12. Tickets for the talk will be available near the main desk in the Bristol Campus Center through Monday and at the door. Tickets are $2.

Soon after graduating from Princeton in 1955 and Harvard Law in 1958, Nader launched a famous campaign against the automobile industry. His book, *Unsafe at Any Speed*, became a best seller, painting in harsh terms the danger of the modern car. The book prompted passage of the Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1960. The safety devices still appearing fresh each year in the new autos are in large part a result of Nader's revelations and recommendations. *What To Do About Your Bad Car* describes the ways a consumer can effectively complain about a defective car.

After his assault on the car manufacturers which ended

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Kirkland Assembly Core Course Requirement

BY CONSTANCE MINER

Kirkland's Core requirement has been abolished.

The Kirkland Assembly, on March 15, passed a motion reading: "There are no required courses at Kirkland, but the student is urged to develop a program with her advisor which includes distributive breadth. This does not prevent the requirement of specific courses in concentration."

The second part of the motion urges students who postponed their Core requirements to do some work in those areas, though students are not required to do so.

The Core requirement had been a major part of Kirkland's academic program. Freshmen were required to take two semesters of a Core course in each of three Divisions – Humanities, Social Science, and Science. This allowed only two electives per year for freshmen with a normal course load. Sophomores had been required to take two semesters of a Humanities Core.

Discontent with the Core program surfaced last fall in the form of a questionnaire. The great majority of those answering felt that the Core should either be revised or abolished. In early November, the Kirkland faculty voted to make the second semester core optional at the request of the Humanities Division.

The question of the Core was discussed by last semester's Curriculum Committee and the new Standing Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs before the motion was presented to the Kirkland Assembly.

SCACA submitted two recommendations to the Assembly with the motion. The first urged that all four Divisions consider inter-disciplinary and inter-divisional course offerings. SCACA cautioned that it would consider undesirable the "...wholesale substitution of 'straight' introductory courses for former Core offerings."

Ursula J. Colby, chairman of SCACA, indicated her hope that the "spirit of Core" would be maintained. The Core was initiated so that the student would be better able to understand the interrelationships between disciplines.

One example of an inter-disciplinary course is a course for next year entitled "History, Arts, and Letters." The course entails a consideration of the relationships between the disciplines of social history, literature, and the history of art and thought.

The abolition of Core and the initiation of new courses led to SCACA's second recommendation, expressing its concern over the effectiveness of the present advisory system at Kirkland. The committee plans to study the system in the light of the abolition of requirements. It is possible that closer contact with the advisor will be necessary to insure programs of "distributive breadth."

New Ruling Prohibits Stray Dogs on Campus

Unlicensed and uncared for dogs will be removed from the campus and turned over to the Humane Society. Associate Dean Hadley S. DePuy said that the recent increase in the number of dogs and the deterioration of their behavior had compelled him to take action.

Specifically, he cited an attack on the son of an English professor by a dog, the presence of dogs in the kitchens and dining areas of Commons and McEwen, the roaming of packs of dogs on the campus, and the "gross antisocial acts" committed in various classrooms and campus buildings. Two students have also been bitten.

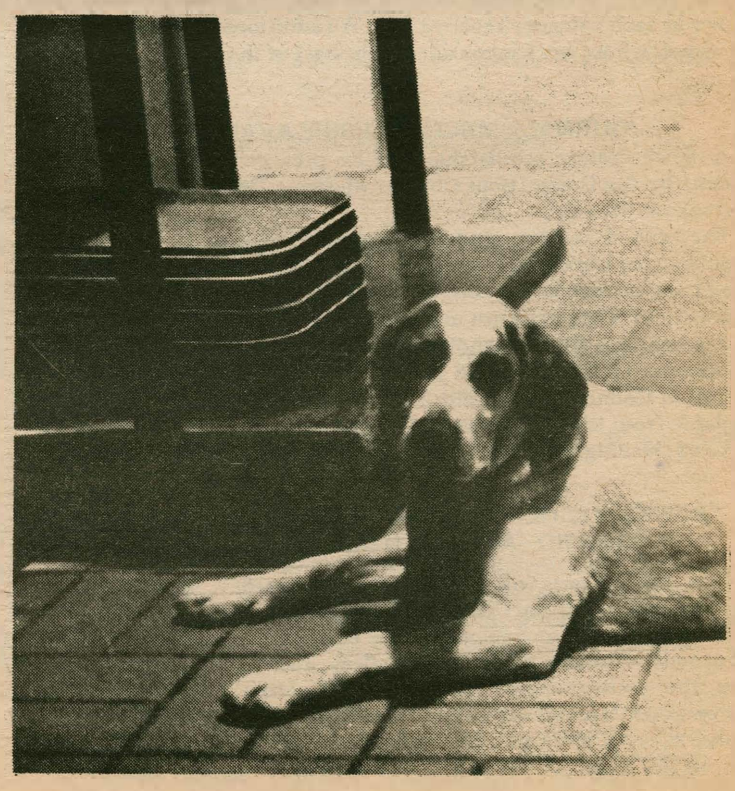
DePuy pointed out that Public Health Service laws state that dogs and other animals may not be in areas where food is stored, prepared or served.

DePuy assumed the position of "manager of wildlife" in the absence of Vice President and Provost Paul D. Carter, under whose jurisdiction the matter technically falls, because DePuy felt that the situation had become urgent enough to require immediate action.

He emphasized that this action was taken as a last resort and that he was "in no way anti-animal." As unpopular as any action taken against dogs may be, he affirmed that the College must and is prepared to protect the health and safety of the community.

The town of Kirkland requires all dogs to be registered and to show tags. Students owning dogs on campus should register them in the Town Clerk's Office in Kirkland.

Presently, college rules state that students may not maintain animals in dormitories. The college is overlooking the rule, but will soon rewrite the regulation with the Student Senate.



Steering Committee Sponsors Teach-In, May Offer Transportation To DC Rally

BY BRUCE WILLIAMS

The Hamilton-Kirkland Steering Committee for Political Action is sponsoring a teach-in this weekend in the List Art Center. Five guest speakers will conduct a panel discussion Friday night. Workshops for students and faculty will be held on Saturday.

The Steering Committee also hopes to organize transportation for students wishing to attend the April 24th rally against the war in Washington D.C. Students interested are asked to submit their names to the Committee. The number of interested people will determine the form of transportation organized.

The speakers will be: Sidney Peck, from the People's Coalition in Boston; Cynthia Fredricks, who recently returned from a tour of Viet Nam; Jay Craven, the President of Boston University's Student Government; Bob Greenblatt, who is involved in the planning of anti-war activities for this spring; and David Deitch, a feature editor for the *Boston Globe*.

Money from the Strike Fund, collected last spring, will be used to pay for the speakers' transportation expenses.

The panel discussions will be held Friday night in the List Arts Center auditorium at 8 p.m. Each speaker will hold workshops for students and faculty on Saturday afternoon.

A drive is being conducted by the Committee to get people on the Hamilton-Kirkland campus to sign the Peoples Peace Treaty for Viet Nam. The treaty is aimed at establishing peace in Viet Nam by establishing a peace treaty between the people of the United States and the people of Viet Nam.

The Committee feels that since the U.S. government is making no attempt to establish peace in Viet Nam, the people of the U.S. must now take the initiative.

If the campaign on the campus succeeds, the treaty will be taken to the people of Clinton, New Hartford and Utica.

Blurbs

HAMILTON HOLYOKE CHOIRS TO SING SUNDAY

The Mount Holyoke College Glee Club, directed by Mrs. Tamara Knell, will join the Hamilton College Choir in presenting an Easter Sunday Concert. The combined choir will sing selections from Handel's "Israel in Egypt," a traditional Easter and Passover offering. The program will also feature a contemporary work by Luigi Dallapiccola which departs from conventional tonal music. The most different portion of the program will be Pauline Oliveros's "Sound Patterns," which Choir Director James Fankhauser described as "the most unusual music we've done in years."

SENATE ELECTIONS

Elections for Student Senate President will be held next Monday, and the run-off will take place the following Thursday.

LIBRARY BOOK AUCTION UNDERWAY

Librarian Walter Pilkington announced that the Library is holding a book auction on the second floor of the James building from April 5 to April 13. The bids close at 4:30 that day. The auction is the same as those held in the past with this exception: as an experiment, members of the faculties of both colleges are invited to participate along with the undergraduates.

The *All Saints Cathedral School* in the Virgin Islands is conducting a book drive for its poorly supplied library. Any students who wish to make bids for books on behalf of the school are urged to do so. The Hamilton library will be responsible for the mailing of the books.

CHAPEL BOARD SPONSORS EASTER EVENTS

Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. there will be a playing of the rock opera, "Jesus Christ Superstar" and discussion following. Copies of the words will be available. Bristol Second Floor Lounge.

Saturday, beginning at 9:00 p.m., there will be an all-night Easter vigil in the Chapel. Participants may come and go as they like. There will be readings, talk, singing, maybe dancing.

Sunday morning at 5:30 a.m. there will be an Easter Sunrise service. If weather permits the service will be outside. Those wishing to attend should meet at McEwen at Kirkland.

BLUEGRASS IN THE COFFEE HOUSE

There will be Bluegrass in the Coffee House Friday and Saturday, April 9 and 10, 8:30 and 10:30. Admission is 50 cents.

POETRY PRIZE

The entrees for the Fanny Faye Wood Poetry Prize should be submitted to Mr. Wagner in Root 33a by April 15. There is a prize of $100 for the best poem or group of poems.

WATROUS PRIZE COMPETITION

Competition for the George A. Watrous Prizes in poetry, fiction and literary criticism is now underway.

Kirkland students may send manuscripts in any of the three categories to Mr. William Rosenfeld of the Kirkland Arts Division anytime before the competition closes on April 30.

The prizes, in the form of cash awards, are given annually. The winner in each category receives $75. An additional $25 is awarded to the winner whose work is considered the best of the three.

JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

A $500 college scholarship will be presented to a Connecticut student by the Connecticut Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, Professional Journalistic Society.

The award is for students planning careers in newspapers, magazines, or broadcast journalism. Students seeking scholarship may attend any college in the country but must be permanent residents of Connecticut. They need not major in broadcasting or journalism.

Applications for the scholarship have been sent to all colleges and universities in New England and to every newspaper and broadcast station in Connecticut. Additional copies of the application form are available from the chapter's scholarship chairman, Paul Gough, at P.O. Box 263, Wallingford. Applications must be completed by April 15.

"AFRICAN SCULPTURE" AND "A HARLEM PORTFOLIO" AT AFRO–AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER

Two exhibitions will go on display Tuesday, Apr. 6, in the Afro-American Cultural Center at Hamilton and Kirkland Colleges.

They are "African Sculpture", an exhibition assembled from the permanent collection of the Segy Gallery, and "A Harlem Portfolio", from the controversial "Harlem on My Mind" exhibited at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York in 1969. Both will be on display at the Afro-American Center until Apr. 23. The Center, at 204 Campus Hill Road, is open from 1-6 p.m. daily.

Canisius Connoisseurs Rip-off Dunham Mural

BY ROBERT J. KEREN

"The stealing problem hasn't increased this year and as a matter of fact, it seems to have slightly decreased" said Associate Dean Hadley S. DePuy.

The Dean spoke of the one large theft of the year which took place in the morning hours on Friday, March 19th, when three Canisius College students stole the six by eighteen foot painting by William Penney from the Main Lounge in Dunham Dormitory.

DePuy said that "our first impression was that our own students had been involved and we later considered art theives." The State Police were called in and discovered that the three students, who were visiting a friend and were "under the influence", cut down the painting with a pen knife. The three are being held on charges of grand larceny at $2500 bail.

"The painting was one of the only things in Dunham which hasn't been altered since the building was opened and is also considered to be one of Mr. Penney's five best works." Mr. Penney is retouching the painting, it will soon be placed back in the Lounge in Dunham. The value of the painting is $12,000.

Speaking about the usual campus thefts, DePuy said that many of the Hamilton students continue to leave their doors unlocked and that small items such as record albums, books, tennis raquets and particularly pin-up pictures continually disappear.

A number of students have had records, liquor, food, cameras, and personal belongings stolen this year. One freshman even mentioned the disappearance of his alarm clock. No students, however, have reported the disappearance of substantial sums of money, stereo equipment, and other large articles.

Dean DePuy concluded that "the problem is one of the perennials, but isn't, at this point in the year, as significant as it has been in the past."

Group to Explore Population Problem

BY MARK WEICHMANN

The Environmental Ecology Committee of Hamilton and Kirkland has formed a new division concerned with population control.

It is a local chapter of a national organization known as Zero Population Growth (ZPG), founded several years ago by Dr. Paul Ehrlich. The Hamilton–Kirkland chapter intends to work closely with its parent group.

Organized at the beginning of the semester by Jan Levenson '72 and Beth Davis '73, the group has directed its primary efforts toward the establishment of a population control center in the basement of McEwen Hall.

This center contains a library devoted to population control and a birth control, adoption, and abortion referral service. Members plan to discuss the techniques and hazards of various means of birth control.

The population control body provides information on the different methods of birth control, without advocating any single method.

Those who utilize the group's services are guaranteed total anonymity.

Other activities include providing rides to the Utica chapter of Planned Parenthood and aiding in clinical work with that organization.

An ecology convention April 22 will feature speakers and films on population control and family planning.

Nader

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symbolically last year with the defeat of General Motors in a law suit that won Nader a multi-million dollar settlement, Nader entered the fields of ecology and consumer advocation, bringing along the teams of bright young lawyers he had assembled as "Nader's Raiders".

He fought pollution on the Savannah River, investigated the state of our Veteran's Hospitals and Homes for the Elderly, and spearheaded reports on the Food and Drug Commission. He normally had his fingers in two or three important issues at once. He believes in action, and his lectures tend to be as fraught with ideas and solutions as complaints and damnations.

Nader will be spending an afternoon, evening, and morning at Hamilton, and so will be about the campus for informal discussions with students. His lecture on Monday will be sponsored by the Root-Jessup Public Affairs Council of Hamilton. Nader's talk is an important one for the future of the Root-Jessup Lecture Series. According to Art Rynearson '71, President of Root-Jessup, if Nader's lecture does not attract a sizeable crowd, no lecturers of Nader's status and interest may appear again at the college. So, all are urged to attend, and hear this people's crusader speak on his latest encounters with the powerful.

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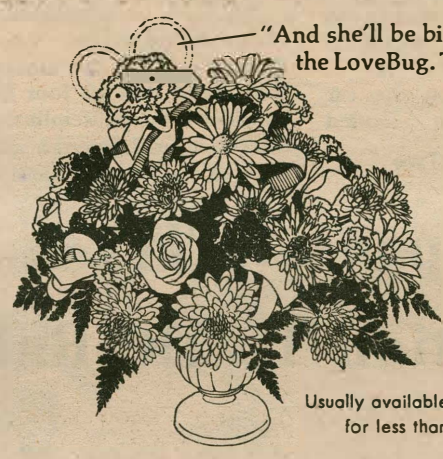

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Editorials

Turning Point

Kirkland College has reached a decisive turning point. Although the Core requirement has been abolished, the unique quality of Kirkland's educational philosophy must not be abandoned.

This is a positive step toward self-motivated education, not an act classifying Kirkland along with every other small liberal arts institution that has rid itself of curricular requirements.

Kirkland's special belief in the inter-relatedness of studies must not be compromised. The philosophy behind the Core which stressed the importance of an integrated education must not be forgotten. We strongly concur with the chairman of the Standing Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs, Ursula J. Colby, that "the spirit of the Core" must be maintained.

Special consideration must be made now to direct Kirkland's academic offerings to include more inter-disciplinary and inter-divisional courses. Planning, imagination and cooperation between faculty and students must go into the creation of these courses.

A problem created by the abolition of required courses is that the present advisory system cannot deal adequately with the increased need for individual counseling in curricular planning. Without the guidelines of requirements, students should carefully construct a program that entails not only personal relevance, but also "distributive breadth." Only a comprehensive system of well-informed advisors who have time to schedule conferences with all students can fulfill the needs of such an open academic field.

Vote!!

"A college exists for its students . . . You will be a part of a process here, part of an institution taking on shape and characteristics from the people who make it up.

Kirkland is an institution of higher learning uniquely dependent upon the active involvement of the people who are part of it."

Every Kirkland student has read the above statements as part of the college catalogue. Since all Kirkland students are aware of these and other statements defining the character of this institution, one assumes that Kirkland students believe in the crucial role of the individual in the college community. The necessity of individual responsibility in aiding the growth process of a new institution should be apparent to all students.

From the evidence provided by previous elections in the Kirkland community, this assumption of the awareness of the individual responsibility on the part of Kirkland students is incorrect. The fact that less than one-third of the student body voted on the last constitutional amendment referendum reveals a disturbing apathy on the part of the majority of Kirkland students.

This attitude is destructive. Not only does lack of participation passively deny the process of democracy at Kirkland, it also actively impedes the functioning of the Kirkland Assembly.

Since amendments to the constitution must be ratified by two-thirds of the community, the ability of the Assembly to perform its duties is impaired by the fact of so few students voting.

A constitutional amendment which would expand the rights of the Kirkland Assembly concerning curricular matters will require community referendum within the next two weeks. It is possible that the previous lack of participation was due to insufficient publicity. Therefore, the entire amendment appears on this week's issue of the *Spectator*.

This important amendment increases the rights of the Assembly and its committees by expanding the power of curricular decisions to embrace not only curriculum policy but also details in curriculum planning. Passage of the amendment would broaden the assembly's power, and in turn increase the democratic character of Kirkland.

We urge every Kirkland student to exercise her voting right and assume the individual responsibility that is crucial in determining the direction of Kirkland College.

Snow Removal

MEMO:
TO: The Hill
FROM: G-d
RE: Snow Removal

Ye verily, the Subcommittees of my Standing Committee on Temporary Reconsiderations of Ad Hoc Previous Subcommittees are embroiled in jurisdictional disputes. Thou shalt suffer the cruel month of April: Ye who have browned thy flesh in southern climes shall pale; Ye who have forsaken thy warm raiments shall bear the cold; Ye who plan to pursue the follies of sport shall learn the discipline of patience.

But, Ye shall soon know a change, for I am thawing and the warm breath of spring shall soon be upon thee and envelope the Hillock thou dwellest upon.

P.S. Have a good summer.

– Comment –

MEMORANDUM:

To: Faculty, Students, and Staff

From: Hadley S. DePuy
Associate Dean

We have a problem with stray and abandoned dogs. They disrupt classes; fight in the Library; form packs and attack other animals; sometimes bite students, faculty, and small children; cause problems in the dining halls, the Bristol Campus Center and elsewhere; occasionally commit gross antisocial acts.

These events are upsetting to the academic program, and they present significant health and safety problems. It is up to the College to make sure that effective steps are taken to insure that these problems are resolved.

After April 13th, each dog on the campus must have an individual owner who will be responsible for its care, keeping it out of the dining halls, the library, the Bristol Center, and the academic buildings, licensing as required by law, vaccination against rabies, and –above all– its behavior on the campus. Otherwise, it will be necessary to turn unlicensed or unowned dogs over to the proper authorities.

Fair warning has been given. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment to alter Section V, D as follows:

1. **Contractual agreements between individual members of the faculty or the administration and Kirkland College are not within the competence of the Assembly.**
2. **The curriculum of the College is the primary responsibility of the Faculty and through it the Dean of the Faculty and the President. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as impeding the power of the Assembly to make recommendations concerning the curriculum, to inquire into curricular plans and practices, or to undertake, through an appropriate committee, the review and approval or disapproval of all Kirkland courses.**
3. **(as at present)**

The above is a constitutional amendment proposed by the Kirkland Assembly for ratification by the student body within the next two weeks. A majority of the student body must vote in order to pass the amendment.

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Letters

Touch of Humor

To the editor:

We were surprised to find in your last issue a piece attributed to us entitled "The True Reflection". While the attribution is correct, it should be made clear that we did not submit it to *The Spectator*, nor was our permission sought for its publication.

"The True Reflection" had its origins in a bottle of bourbon one evening after an Assembly meeting. When on the following morning our effort still provoked a chuckle in places (if not the helpless laughter of the previous evening) we made some copies for friends, among whom was the President. There we expected it to end.

We were disturbed by its publication in *The Spectator* as if at our behest, because its juxtaposition with President Babbitt's memo of March 9 could suggest that we approved of the contents of *Play Doh*. More seriously we are disturbed because its appearance in an official publication of the colleges could suggest that we sought to subject Kirkland and its President to public ridicule. Now that it has been published we hope that "The True Reflection" has provided, for its readers as well as its authors, a respite from the all too common vice of deadly earnestness. Certainly there is much at Kirkland and in the relationships between Kirkland and Hamilton which would benefit from the lighter touch of humor — humor that is neither conceived nor received in malice or self-righteousness.

Sincerely,
Walter Broughton
Carlton Maley
Jerrald Townsend

On Humor

To the Editor

College publications that aspire to humor seldom rise beyond mediocrity, for a very good reason. In-jokes and private references are often effective with a limited, select audience. But humor that is publicly effective requires enormous skills that the vast majority of people, including college students, simply do not possess. Thus it was not surprising that the recent edition of the *Spectator* did not even aspire to mediocrity. If it had merely been flat, dull, and stale, its appearance would call for no comment. What does call for comment was its clumsy and witless offensiveness.

Bright and inventive humor is disarming as well as effective. Its target usually accepts it in good grace, and often appears ridiculous if he does not do so. The recent edition of the Spectator, however, was simply an act of aggresssion. One might note a snide leer in the attacks, but no disarming laughter. The targets would have every right to resent such bumbling, if not malicious, treatment.

What then is the point of the performance? Apparently college students feel obliged to produce humorous publications whether they are equipped to do so or not. If the students who produced this most recent example knew how dull and offensive it was, they might still be given credit for carrying out their duty as they saw it. If, however, they thought for a minute that what they had was worth publishing, their self-deception is as deplorable as their bad judgment.

William A. Jamison

Play Review

Letter to the Editor

Although the spelling, punctuation, sentence structure, and style of Mr. Di Martino have improved markedly since the time at which I had the pleasure of sharing an English course with him, his intelligence and sensibility obviously have not.

John R. Swinney

Kidnapped

Editor's Note: *The authors of the following letter have apparently received the impression that the* Spectator *considers Mr. Letzelter to be "inept, surreptitious, inhumane and unfeeling." We have never intended to foster such an impression of Mr. Letzelter, nor do we think of him in such terms.*

To the Editor

Your recent editorials against Mr. Letzelter have dealt basically with his ineptitude as an administrator. However, during the recent spring vacation another one of his more admirable qualities has come out on display–his love of animals.

We are referring to the abduction of our house cat, Alexis, alias Big Al, which took place during the recess while he was within the confines of our fraternity house. He has lived with us for the past five years and was being properly attended to during the vacation prior to his abduction. Yet he was taken under the premise of being a stray cat.

We deplore this action which was ordered somewhere in the high command of Mr. Letzelter's bureaucracy. It is just another issue in a continuing series of Mr. Letzelter's recent surreptitious, inhumane, and unfeeling actions.

We implore the college administration to act now so that events of this nature will not be repeated. This letter will not help to bring back Big Al, whever he may be. However, it will serve to illustrate to the administration , faculty, and student body some of the unconcern for and unresponsiveness to student needs exercised by Mr. Letzelter and the hierarchy of his staff.

The Brothers of TKE

Higby Planning Committee Organizes Fall Conference

The 1971 Higby Co-ordinating Committee, consisting of Jerry Ryan '71 (chairman), Dennis Oakes '73, Bob O'Connor '73, Steve Malcolm '74, and Mr. Austin Briggs, is now in the process of planning and organizing the fall conference.

Started a mere six years ago, the Higby Conference has developed into an integral facet of the college community, providing an important link of communication between the faculty, students, and Administration.

Retreating to the peace, serenity, and isolation of the Higby Club in Inler, New York, a group of fifty-five students, faculty, administration, and trustees discuss the "problem areas" at Hamilton, seeking to find some direction for possible solutions. Although the body has no official legislative capacity, the discussions that inevitably occur serve to elucidate these "problem areas", and attack them from many different perspectives. Later, action is often taken by various student and faculty committees concerned on recommendations made at Higby, as the members return to the Hill. "The medium is the message", and it is truly a remarkable experience.

This year, on the recommendation of the members of last year's conference, there will be an effort to call for volunteers and to enlist people who have never attended. This is done in order to insure a constant flow of new ideas and perspectives to the conference, and to involve as many new faculty and students as possible.

Because of the few number of places available at Higby there may be many more volunteers than will be permitted to attend. This is an unfortunate reality, due mostly to a tight financial budget. But the option has been expressed, and many agreed last year, that a larger number might inhibit the small, intimate discussion sessions which are so vital to the conference's success. Thus, with a high turn-over rate, it is felt that many can participate and offer their opinions without sacrificing the small, close-knit character of Higby.

The selection process is done solely by the co-ordinating committee. An effort will be made, however, to maintain equal representation of the college, to seek new members, and select people who would contribute the most to the success of the conference. All volunteers will be considered and if you are interested you are encouraged to sign up. An announcement in chapel and notes in the mailboxes will serve to answer many of your questions. However, if this is not sufficient, you are encouraged to ask any of the members of the Higby Co-ordinating Committee.

House Passes Draft Extension; Bill May End 2-S Deferments

The House of Representatives' vote last week extending the military draft two years might mean the end of student deferments, beginning with this year's freshmen.

After House liberals had failed by only two votes to limit the extension of the draft to one year, efforts to forbid the sending of draftees to Indochina, then outside the U.S. both were resoundingly defeated.

The House bill, which must face a test in the Senate before becoming law, gives President Nixon the authority to abolish student deferments. Selective Service Director Curtis Tarr has said that if given this authority, the President will abolish all college deferments, and revoke the deferments of anyone who had not been in college prior to April 23, 1970.

The bill also limits Conscientious Objector jobs to agencies in government, or public institutions which have difficulty finding eligible and qualified employees, and extends the alternative service period for COs one year, to three years. This will eliminate all private hospitals and other private institutions, such as church, service and draft counseling organizations, as possible employers of CO registrants.

The Selective Service Manpower Act of 1967 expires July 1 this year. There are several bills before the Senate Armed Services Committee to abolish the draft, but all are given little chance of passage.

In an effort to spur enlistments, the House voted a $2.7 billion military pay increase for first-term servicemen. While the Nixon administration proposes the pay increase as a way to supposedly "move toward the goal of an all-volunteer force" the more crucial reality which military planners face is a steadily decreasing enlistment and re-enlistment rate, meaning that enlistments must be somehow increased while maintaining the draft, in order to meet existing troop commitments.

Only nine House members voted against a four-year extension of the law in 1968. There were 99 votes against a two-year extension this year.

Rep. Otis Pike (D., N.Y.) said the court-martial conviction of Lt. William L. Calley, Jr. for the murders at Mylai will make it even more difficult to attract volunteers. "We will need all the money in the bill to get them," he said.

The bill freezes a "military force level" at 2.6 million persons, and for the first time provides that draft-age youths (under 30) may serve on local draft boards. The bill refrains from any basic change in the operating procedures of the more than 4,000 semi-autonomous local draft boards.

The private institutions which would be barred from employing CO registrants now employ 59% of the nation's Conscientious Objectors, according to the National Interreligious Service Board for COs and verified by the Selective Service. The total number of COs has doubled in the past year, and the increase from two to three years for CO work will mean huge increases in the CO jobs necessary. COs working in alternative service jobs in the future might face the dilemma of taking loyalty oaths (required of all federal and many state jobs) for their Objector jobs.

The House debate on the draft measure was the longest and most emotional on the war in Southeast Asia. Rep. John J. Flynt (D.,Ga,), who in 18 years had never voted against any military bill, was one who switched. Flynt, a Bronze Star winner in World War II, told the House he was for a string national defense, but was voting against the draft as his only means of trying to end the war.

"I will not now, or ever again vote to start or continue an undeclared war," he said. "It is wrong to compound a six-year mistake and send young men halfway around the world to fight in a war we have not the fortitude to win or end. My people used to say 'Win the war.' Then they said, 'Win it or get out.' Now with one voice the say, 'Get out.' The only way I know to end the war is to stop the draft."

LEHMAN FELLOWSHIPS

Two Hamilton College seniors and a 1969 graduate of the college, have been named willers of Herbert H. Lehman Graduate Fellowships in Social Sciences and Public and International Affairs, it was announced last Friday by New York State Commissioner of Education Ewald B. Nyquist.

Seniors Frank M. Anechiarico and Michael Klosson and graduate Ronald Aqua will each receive up to $5,000 a year for four years of graduate study beginning in September.

Named as alternates were two more Hamilton seniors, Jonathan M. House and David C. Paris. Alternates receive an offer of a fellowship only if an original winner declines.

Presidential Candidates

Julian Bernstein

Early in this semester some other students and I conducted a poll concerning attitudes at Hamilton. The results of the poll show significant dissatisfaction with the school. I believe that strong and responsible action on the part of the Student Senate is necessary. While Senate action should reflect the students needs and desires, we look to the President of the Senate for the initiative in dealing with these problems.

There are a number of steps that can be taken to improve our experience at Hamilton which are within the scope of the Senate's influence. One project is the adoption of a system for self-scheduled final examinations. This is a means of reducing excessive pressure by allowing a student to arrange his exam schedule according to his studying needs. Our honor code is already equipped to cover this program.

Hamilton students are being placed at a disadvantage to other students due to our grading system. In the short run, no provision is made for grades bordering between two marks. In the long run, pluses and minuses have no meaning when coverted to the four point scale for job and graduate school applications.

The poll revealed that the pre-medical students are particularly discontented with Hamilton. To help solve this problem, a pre-med advisory committee should be set up to help the faculty pre-med committee with information about medical schools and to keep pre-med students better informed. If successful, the idea may be pursued for other graduate schools.

The residential and social environment demands attention, and the old "in loco parentis" doctrine is no longer acceptable. However, changes in the fraternity atmosphere should come from within, not from external coercion. The freshman's position could be helped by increasing the influence of the freshman council with financial backing by the Senate. An energetic Senate can accomplish a great deal. The President must provide the initiative, and we have a lot more to do.

Glenn [Doc] Reisman

After spending a year as a representative on the Student Senate, I have come to the following conclusions: the three functions of the Senate are 1. limited legislative control over student conduct; 2. budgetary control of student activities; and 3. as a student grievance committee. The only viable function is as a student grievance committee. The Senate cannot change the rules of the faculty and administration simply by voting them down. The only way the students can get what they need is by applying pressure through the Senate. This can be backed up by petitions when necessary.

The Senate successfully pressured the administration into allowing students to ignore the board requirement. The Senate should also use this pressure for co-ed housing. If this does not work, the Senate can coordinate room-swapping.

Students can also apply pressure through serving on trustee committees. I have sat for a year on the Trustee Planning Committee, and I can honestly say that student opinions at these meetings are evaluated objectively by the trustees.

But in order to deal with other subjects, such as final exam schedules, the students must be voting members on the Academic Policy Committee. Students should also have representation on the Tenure and Budget Committees.

When committee positions such as student trustees are open for Senate appointments, students should be allowed to apply for these. In the past, students who had no desire to be on committees have frequently been chosen.

Senate meetings are open, and anyone can speak at them. The Senate must meet regularly and inform the campus of its meetings.

The school needs a placement officer, both for jobs and graduate school advice. It is unreasonable to expect the director of the campus center to do this efficiently.

The future of fraternities is still officially undecided. The Senate can improve the rushing system. As long as students want fraternities, they will remain. Students must express their views by speaking to their Senate representative, or by speaking themselves at Senate meetings.

The students must not be subjected to the whims of the Senate president. It is the job of the president to be responsive to the students.

Jerry Ryan

Candidates for Student Senate President, in presenting to the students models of the President's role in campus life, tend to expand the President's influence and power beyond realism. In actuality, the Senate President and the Student Senate function pretty much as described in the Constitution of the Student body, with one important exception. The Senate President is the Initiator of Activity. It is his duty to prod and pressure the Senate, the student body, and the administration to move for needed reforms in campus living.

The President's role as Initiator of Activity should take on greater importance in the next year. I propose that the Senate become involved in the following top priority areas during the next year, areas which are f of day-to-day interest to you and I.

I. Housing and Dining

I find it inconceivable that students have so little control or influence over an area of college life such as Housing and Dining which so directly affects student living patterns. I propose that the Senate work towards a partnership with the administration in the regulation of Housing and Dining. Specific objectives of the Senate should be Co-Educational and Off-Campus Housing, optional meal plans, and the ability to choose not to eat in college dining facilities.

The Senate should not continue to waste its time in fruitless debate on the future of fraternities. No one is going to abolish fraternities. Fraternities will be a vital part of the Hamilton campus as long as they continue to recruit members and remain financially sound.

II. Curriculum

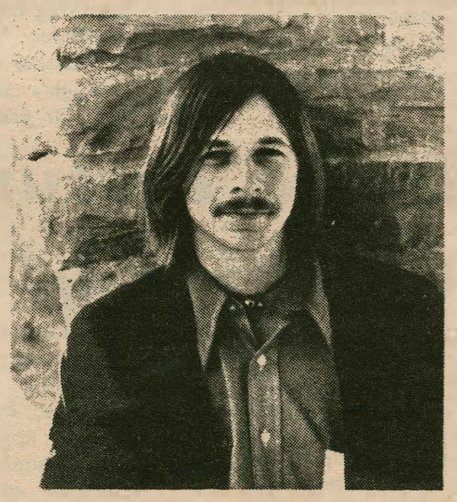
I also find it inconceivable that students can care so little about the education they are receiving at Hamilton College. I propose that the Senate attempt to promote student interest in curriculum revision and that the Senate investigate why our classes are so crowded, why we have so few course offerings, and why Winter Study topics are so dismal.

I also favor retention of the Honor Code, but abolition of the pledge requirement on all written work. If the Honor Code indeed works, the pledge requirement is an antiquated and useless gesture.

III. Hamilton-Kirkland Coordination

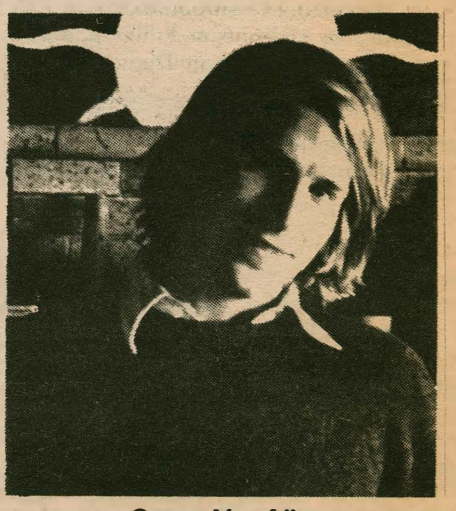
Since the administrations of both schools, through excessive pride and red tape, have botched the concept of "coordination," I propose that the students step in and save the concept. I propose a joint Student Senate-Kirkland Assembly committee to plan informal programs both in the social area, such as the recent Community Beers, and also in the academic realm. Where administrations have failed, students can succeed in moving the two colleges closer together in a true community.

If elected Senate President, my objectives will be to make students aware and interested in the previous day-to-day problems, and to involve more students in the solution of these problems.



Dennis Smullen

I am running for Student Senate President because I think I have the qualities necessary to make the Senate an effectives and therefore powerful institution. A candidate for the office of president may have all sorts of imaginative ideas and pet projects that he would like to see the Senate make into operative programs, but unless the president has the necessary patience, tolerance, ability to get along well with people, and good looks, the Senate will simply lie fallow and unproductive. Of course I have opinions about the major campus issues but simply because I support or disapprove of proposals, does not insure their success or failure. All I can promise is that I will carry out the job of the president faithfully, rationally and to the best of my ability. I think any of the other candidates will do the same thing. 'I want to be president because I think it will be a hell of a good time and because I think I can do the best job. If any of the other candidates have a more pressing reason to be President then he deserves your vote more than I do.



George Van Allen

If elected, one of my main objectives would be to have the Student Senate serve as a focal point for communication and cooperation among the students, the faculty, the administration, and Kirkland College. Under such a plan, in matters that were of concern to both college communities, the Student Senate would meet with the Kirkland Assembly. Also cooperation and communication among the fraternities and the IFC could be most beneficial to the fraternities by leading to such things as cooperative buying of foodstuffs. Continued and increased communication between the Student Senate and the Administration could lead to a more fair-dealing Administration. A hopeful outcome of such communication would be the awarding of much needed rebates on tuition to the students for independent Winter Study Projects.

In the course of the Senate making major decisions concerning the entire student body, the vote should be left to the student body. In such a case there would first be speeches pro and con in Chapel followed by a vote later in the week. A typical situation of this type would be on co-ed dormitories. If the Senate were to push strongly for such a proposition, it should first have the approval of the student body which would have to live with the situation whatever it may be.

There is a strong possibility that two integral parts of campus life are soon to be lost, the Root Jessup lecture series and the dogs. The Senate should take forceful action to preserve these institutions.

Also the pub should be enlarged, remodeled, and student controlled in order to effectively serve the needs of the student body. With such innovations as enlargement, live entertainment, pinball machines, etc., the pub could become an inviting place to go. This would be most beneficial to freshmen who often lack transportion to venture to off-campus spots.

Also the students should have more of a say in tenure offers to professors, admissions of students, and advisor selection.

Arts and Entertainment

Arts Presentations

FILMS

April 9 (Friday)

Amenic: *2001, A Space Odyssey*; Science Auditorium, through Sunday, April 11; check posters for times.

Kinokunst-Gesellschaft: *Saps at Sea*, with Laurel and Hardy; also Keaton and Chaplin shorts; Chemistry Auditorium, 8 PM., through Saturday April 10.

Utica Theaters:

Kallet Cinema (736-2313): *Ryan's Daughter*.

Paris Cinema (733-2730): *Love Story*.

Stanley (724-4000): *New Leaf*.

258 Cinema City (732-5461): 1 and 2. *Little Big Man*; 3. *Eugenie*.

Uptown(732-0665): *Barefoot Executive* (Disney).

April 12 (Monday)

Kinokunst-Gesellschaft: *Open City; Bride of*

Chemistry Auditorium, 8:30 PM., through Tuesday April 13.

Romance Language Dept: *Open City* (Italian Movie); Science Auditorium, 8 PM.

April 14 (Wednesday)

Romance Language Dept: *Le Joli Mai*; Science Auditorium, 8 PM.

EASTER

April 9 (Friday)

Good Friday Chapel Program: discussion of Jesus Christ Superstar; Bristol Lounges, 7:30 PM.

April 10 (Saturday)

All Night Easter Vigil; Chapel, 9 PM.

April 11 (Sunday)

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service in Kirkland Glen; meet in front of McEwen Hall, 5:30 AM.

LECTURES

April 12 (Monday)

Root-Jessup: John Stempel, U.S. diplomat: The U.S. and South East Asia; Bristol Lounges, 4:30 PM.

Root-Jessup: Ralph Nader: Environmental Hazards: Man Made and Man Remedied; Gym, 8 PM.

April 13 (Tuesday)

Truax Lectures in Philosophy: Richard Taylor: Liberty and the Coercion of Law; Chemistry Auditorium, 8 PM.

April 15 (Thursday)

Informal Discussion; Livingston Smith: New York State Regents Fellowship Program; Bristol Lounges, 4:15 PM.

Prof. I. C. Jarvie, York University, Ontario: The Philosophy Foundation of Anthropology; Bristol Lounges, 8:30 PM.

MUSIC

April 11 (Sunday)

Concert: Mt. Holyoke Glee Club, Hamilton College Choir, Brass Choir; Gym, 3:30 PM.

EXHIBITIONS

Recent Electronic Works of Paul Earls (Synthesizer), List Arts Center; April 16 and 17.

"Charleston", an exhibition of watercolors by Paul Parker, former professor of art at Hamilton College, on display at Root Art Center.

Fall Coffee-House May Offer Regular Program, New Jobs

BY MARIA ZAMMIT

To have a coffee-house or not to have a coffee-house, that is the question. And considering the fate of past efforts, the answer would seem to be no. However, renewed plans are in progress and a full-time coffee-house is more than just a mere possibility. The now occasional entertainment would become regular entertainment starting next fall.

A unique feature of this attempt at a coffee-house, and one which will help insure its success, is the creation of new openings for student employment. One of the causes of past failures has been the shortage of volunteer help.

However, Director of Financial Aid David Chapman emphasizes that he is not funding the entertainment but is dealing solely with the operational features. According to Mr. Chapman, "Campus jobs will be created that will deal with the technical aspects of the Coffee House."

These aspects include the paid employment of a coordinator and staff who will manage and work the Coffee-House nightly. Paid employment is limited, however, and volunteer help will be necessary.

The McEwen Coffee-House is a Kirkland and Hamilton program; its financing will tap both college's budgets.

Sheri Silverman '74, the coordinator of the coffee-house, discussed reasons for its revival: 1.) To provide more student jobs, 2.) to provide a place to relax, take a study break and have a snack on Kirkland's side of the road, 3.) for Hamilton men who prefer the Coffee-House's atmosphere over the Pub or Bristol and 4.) to provide a place to go after the Pub and Bristol usually close.

Open every night, the Coffee-House will feature live entertainment on week-ends. Josh Simpson and the Student Entertainment Committee are fully cooperating in this aspect of the Coffee-House's program.

There will be no cover charge on week-nights, but there is the possibility of a minimum charge on nights featuring entertainment. Refreshments will include simple sandwiches, tea, cider and "the best coffee on campus." Hopefully, students will also be able to receive profits from baking foods and selling them at the Coffee-House.

Charlatans' 'Twelfth Night' in Rehearsal

Theater Group to Perform 'Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde'

During the week of May 10, the Improvisational Theater group will present its second performance of the academic year: "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde." The group may also perform at Commencement.

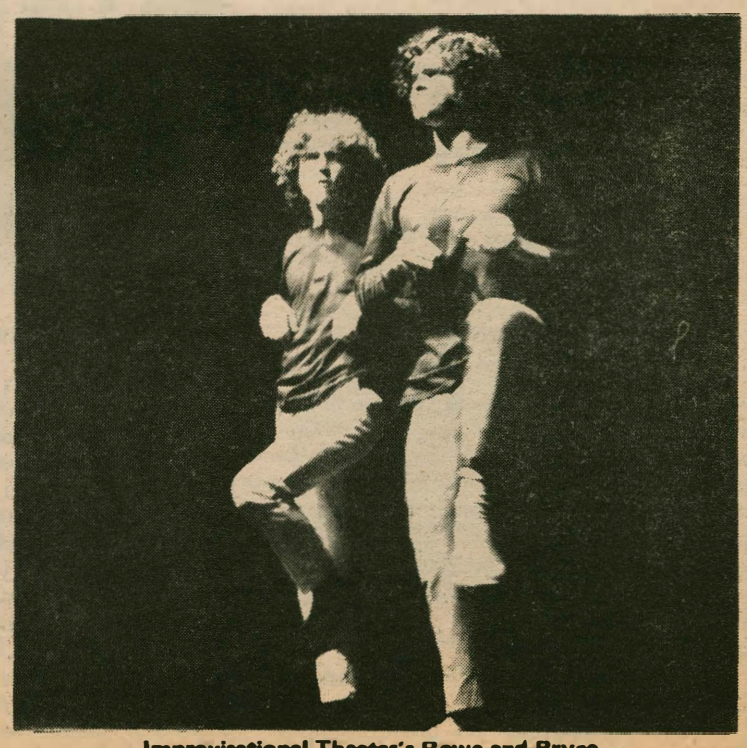
The group's fall productions entitled "Bolgia Four" was immensely successful. The Improvisational Theater consists of Alan Bryce, John Rowe, Jim Ragland, Tom Creamer, Chris Wagner, Jim Peskin, Rhoda Bronston, and Kate Jones.

Speaking for the theater group, Alan Bryce '71 said that the improvisation works about Luella Forepaugh's nineteenth century drama "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," an adaptation of Robert Louis Stevenson's famous short novel. Bryce said that the play is "possibly one of the worst plays ever written" and that the improvisors hope to "enhance" Forepaugh's play.

Bryce said that since the group performed "Bolgia Four," the members have attempted to perfect their improvisational technique by the use of textbook exercises. He said that the group hopes for improvement in the spring production.

The improvisational theater group will apply their new techniques to the nineteenth century melodrama but will respect the nature of the melodrama. The actors will comment individually on the action.

Bryce said that the viewer of the improvisational theater perceives the work on three levels. The audience sees the work as a play, an acting exercise and a surreal commentary. It is an interesting experience.



Improvisational Theater's Rowe and Bryce

Richard Taylor to Lecture on "Liberty and Coercion of Law"

The first in a series of three lectures by Richard Taylor, Truax visiting professor of philosophy at Hamilton College, will be given next Tuesday, April 13, at 8 p.m. in the Chemistry Auditorium on the Hamilton campus.

The series, titled, "Liberty and the Coercion of Law," is open to the public at no charge. The final two lectures in the series will be presented on Tuesday, April 20, and on Monday, April 26, also at 8 p.m. in the Chemistry Auditorium.

The first lecture will discuss two questions, both traditional problems of government. One is the justification for the existence of a government at all, and the other is the limits established to protect the liberties of the individual from interference by the state or society.

Taylor is professor of philosophy at the University of Rochester and is a visiting professor at Hamilton for the spring term.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Illinois, Taylor has the M.A. in philosophy from Oberlin and the PhD. in philosophy from Brown.

He has taught philosophy at several colleges and universities, including Brown, Cornell, Columbia, Princeton and Wells, and was appointed chairman of the Philosophy Department at the University of Rochester in 1966.

The recipient of many grants and stipends for post-graduate work, Taylor has published over ninety books, articles and reviews.

He is a member of the American Philosophical Association, the New York Philosophy Club and Board of Editors of the Northwestern University Press, and is listed in *Who's Who in America.*

Pub Renovations.

Pub Innovations To Include Redefinition of Membership

BY ROY SCHECTER

Jerry Ryan '72, chairman of the student-faculty committee on auxiliary services of the College, has announced that the Pub will soon be renovated.

The Committee, said Ryan, recommended that the Pub be expanded to its spatial capacity, which will involve removing the snack bar from its present location. "That area is wasted", explained Ryan, "and could be far more beneficially used by adding tables and chairs instead."

The wall on that side of the pub will be finished, and a floor will be installed where the snack bar now stands.

Little is known about how much the renovations will cost, but they will be paid for by Pub profits from the past year, which presently exceed $1700. Pub profits are shared between Hamilton College and the Student Senate.

A new feature in the Pub is the selling of cold sandwiches, in addition to the regular refreshments.

The Committee has expressed concern over the possibility of the Pub losing its license due to the illegal serving of drinks to Kirkland girls.

Presently, Hamilton College has a contract or a license for serving beer to members of the "club," which includes only Hamilton students. The Committee recommended that steps be taken to include Kirkland in the "club," which reportedly would not be at all difficult.

A further problem is presented by the invasion of "townies" in the Pub, as well as in the Bristol Campus Center. "Townies", of course, are not to be served unless they are guests of a Hamilton student.

The Committee, in order to deal with the BCC problem, has drawn up a memorandum, signed by Andrew Wertz, Director of the Bristol Campus Center, that would exclude "townies" from the BCC.

The memorandum seeks to eliminate overcrowding of the building and the "abuse of facilities". It states that the BCC's facilities are for the use of Hamilton and Kirkland students, faculty, staff, alumni, and invited guests only.

It further states that faculty and staff dependents are welcome but are discouraged from using the Center "unless accompanied by a college student or adult." "Youngsters of Clinton or elsewhere" are only to be allowed in when accompanied by Hamilton or Kirkland students.

The memorandum is presently being given consideration by Associate Dean Hadley DePuy. Ryan says that it will probably be issued as a statement of administrative policy.

So as not to antagonize the town of Clinton, the high schools have been notified of this more stringent policy, so that everyone will know where the College stands.

EECHK Lobby in DC Urges SST Rejection

BY ROBERT GIAN

Two members of the Environmental Ecology Committee of Hamilton and Kirkland, Robert Rauch '71 and John Oster '72, spent a portion of their spring recess in Washington lobbying against the Supersonic Transport (SST). An $80 grant from the Student Senate funded their traveling expenses.

After an initial strategy session in the office of Senator William Proxmire of Wisconsin, who led the anti-SST forces, Rauch and Oster visited senatorial offices to present arguments against the bill to finance the SST construction.

In their lobbying, Rauch and Oster emphasized the environmental considerations which militated against the SST, although the issues of economy and national priorities also occupied significant positions in their presentation.

The SST would release large quantities of water vapor in the upper stratosphere, a region about which scientists know very little. An MIT study suggested the possibility that this water vapor might reduce the protective ozone layer around the earth and thereby increase skin cancer.

If the SST ever flew overland, it would cause a sonic boom effect with a path estimated at 50 miles wide, leaving a trail of shattered windows and weakened foundations.

The deafening roar of a SST takeoff, estimated to be twice as loud as that of a subsonic jet, would be above a safe decibel level.

The projected squadron of 500 SST's would have increased the United States demand for oil by one third, thus creating additional pressure for the opening of the Alaskan North Slope and extensive new off-shore drilling, both of which would have spinoff environmental effects.

In the area of economics, they pointed out that the SST had failed the free market test. The request for a government subsidy became necessary only after risk capital demonstrated that it was unwilling to undertake the financing of the prototype aircraft.

Rauch, who remained in Washington until the 51-46 Senate vote which defeated the SST proposal, worked closely with the National Coalition Against the SST.

Rauch's opinion on the reason for the rejection of the SST was that "Americans have finally come to realize that we cannot afford to accept massive new developments which benefit only a few at a time when there exist broader and more urgent needs such as urban mass transit and the rebuilding of the cities."

The SST, which would cut Atlantic flying time by two hours for 100 passengers, failed the test of priority. Rauch felt that this realization of priorities, coupled with arguments of environmental protection, led to the SST defeat.

Rauch also noted the popular outcry against the SST, which overcame strong pressure from the White House and the aerospace industry in favor of its passage. He pointed to the large amoung of citizen lobbying, especially on the environmental question, and the acknowledged effect of anti-SST constituent mail on the votes of certain senators. Rauch saw the SST rejction as a "hopeful sign...a symbolic step against the funding of extravagant projects. The time is right for change within the system directed toward the pressing needs of the many."

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From the Bench

Every year, with the advent of the spring athletic seasons, the conflict of long hair inevitably arises. Unfortunately in the past, the Athletic Department has consistently chosen a policy of banning long hair, a policy which may have been blindly accepted ten years ago, but which today has no relevance. It may be said that ten years ago young men preferred to wear their hair short, for personal reasons. But today, for very personal reasons also, the same young men choose differently, and our coaches have refused to realize this.

From one point of view, long hair is said to be cumbersome, and difficult, often interfering with the athlete's vision, and thus impairing his playing ability. Also, if one was really dedicated to a sport, one would sacrifice his beautiful locks to conform to the already long-established policy, and in doing so fit into the "image" of the athlete. Unfortunately, this rigid point of view has discouraged many potential athletes from supporting Hamilton's teams, especially in the spring. And from many of our past records, Hamilton cannot afford to lose someone who might be beneficial and provide some badly needed depth.

To equate long hair with a lack of desire to play, is completely absurd. Long hair, if kept out of the eyes should be no hindrance to an athlete's performance, and it is time the Athletic Department and the coaches realize this. The athletes of Hamilton and many people on the Hill are awaiting a more liberal approach to this perrenial problem. It's about time.

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CONTINENTAL CONNECTION

Hamilton Spring Season Opens , Weather Permitting

Baseball and lacrosse seasons begin next Wednesday at home as the baseball team meets the Utica College nine and the lacrosse team faces St. Lawrence.

As in previous spring seasons, the unmelted snow presents a minor obstacle to the scheduled openers. It lies in abundance on both the baseball diamond and lacrosse field.

Snow has also limited the extent of spring training. The baseball team has spent most of its time in the gymnasium. It has been working itself into shape through running and throwing workouts.

Coach Murphy has recently studied the possibility of simulating fielding practice by hitting ground balls on the gym floor. He hesitates to cut anyone until he has had the chance to look at the players' hitting powers.

The lacrosse team also has spent a great deal of time inside practicing on the hockey rink. The practice was moved outside last Tuesday but onle to the parking lot.

Both teams have gone outside at the end of each practice to run a two-mile course up College Hill Road. However, this exercise has been the extent of their outside activity.

In past seasons, games which could not be played due to weather conditions were cancelled and not rescheduled.

The baseball team is trying to reschedule its game with Utica for a date in a stretch of ten days where no games are scheduled. Should they effect this schedule switch, the first game will be played at St. Lawrence on Saturday.

Lacrosse and baseball seasons comprise only ten games. The slow melting of the snow may once again shorten the length of the season.

Weather permitting, the tennis team will commence its 1971 season this coming Thursday with a match at Ithaca. This will be followed by a home match two days later against Clarkson.

Unfortunately, the squad has been unable to play outside due to the unfavorable weather conditions. This has hurt the team in several ways: the indoor facilities of the hockey rink have to be shared with the lacrosse players and, consequently, neither squad gets the necessary practice timee: the indoor courts are much faster than the outdoor surfaces, thus the needed timing will not be as precise as desired for effective play; and the ranking of the squad players is undetermined because no challenge matches can be played until practice moves outdoors.

Since the tennis team lost virtually no one through graduation, it has an excellent chance for a fine season, similar to last year's winning record. Players returning from last year's racketeers are Captain Kent Boveroux, Len Levitt, Steve Sadove, Tom Spellane, George Van Allen, and Ken Wesley. Junior Mike Stone and Senior Robert Ridder will prove considerable assets to the squad, and the addition of freshmen Brad Carswell and Tom Pirodsky will add greater depth.

Under the able leadership of Coach Greg Batt, the tennis team should have a very respectable season.

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